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House Resolution 1414

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending the Georgia School for the Deaf Girls' Basketball Team as the
- 2 champions of the 31st Annual Girls' Mason-Dixon Basketball Tournament and inviting them
- 3 to appear before the House of Representatives; and for other purposes.
- 4 WHEREAS, the Georgia School for the Deaf Girls' Basketball team are the Champions of
- 5 the 31st Annual Girls' Mason-Dixon Basketball Tournament held January 24-26, 2008, in
- 6 Jackson, Mississippi; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the Mason-Dixon Basketball Tournament is the premier basketball tournament
- 8 for students from deaf schools in the southeastern United States, and this year's tournament
- 9 included 11 schools from ten different states; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the Georgia School for the Deaf defeated the Florida School for the Deaf and
- 11 Blind 56-45 in the championship game; and
- 12 WHEREAS, this is the second Girls' Mason-Dixon Tournament title that the school has won;
- 13 and
- 14 WHEREAS, the team was ably led by Head Coach Danny Woolmaker, Assistant Coach
- 15 Sheila Johnson, Scorekeeper Denise Hunter, and Team Manager Ashley Baty; and
- 16 WHEREAS, three of the team members, Brittney Daughtry, Tanya Dawson, and Latonya
- 17 Dawson were selected as members of the 2008 All Tournament Team; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Brittney Daughtry was selected as the Most Valuable Player of the 2008 Girls'
- 19 Mason-Dixon Basketball Tournament; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the other outstanding team members were Maurissa Adams, Biunica English,
- 21 Amy Lee, Kamaria Peavy, Kandace Ross, Jessie Smith, Talaya Still, and Ryan Welch; and

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1 WHEREAS, in a world which consistently seems to accentuate the negative aspects of the

- 2 actions of young people, it is abundantly fitting and proper for this body to recognize with
- 3 particularity the superlative accomplishments of this extraordinary team of individuals.
- 4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 5 the members of this body recognize and commend the 2008 Georgia School for the Deaf
- 6 Girls' Basketball Team on their outstanding accomplishments, and invite them to appear
- 7 before this body at a date and time designated by the Speaker of the House for the purposes
- 8 of being recognized by the House and receiving an appropriate copy of this resolution.